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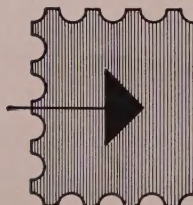
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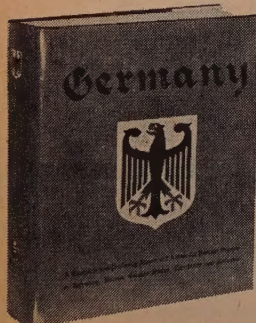
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Rome the First Stop on Our Visit to European Philatelic Centers

ORIGINALLY our philatelic itinerary for 1960 was scheduled to begin at Johannesburg, South Africa, as a member of the Jury at UNIPEX, and with stops along the way in Ghana, Belgian Congo, and other of the countries in that area whose stamps are now so much in the news. However, other commitments made it necessary to greatly curtail this ambitious travel program, and so we have started in the middle of our proposed trip, with the first stop at Rome.

Much has transpired since our last visit to Rome in 1957 when we attended an international meeting of the *People-to-People Program*. At that time we had several conferences with stamp dealers and collectors, as well as government officials in charge of philatelic activities. Dr. Enzo Diena, grandson of Dr. Emilio Diena, one of Italy's greatest philatelists, as president of the *Federazione Societa Filateliche Italiane*, developed an eleven-point program through which Italian stamp collectors and dealers could cooperate with President Eisenhower's great efforts to create friendship and understanding at the grassroots level. Other Italian groups also pledged their support to the project, and during the nearly three years that have passed since then, substantial progress has been made towards realizing these objectives.

Dr. Enzo Diena is one of those in the more active group of the younger generation who are making philatelic history in Italy. He has written many articles for the philatelic press, as well as other mediums, and will be the Secretary of the Jury at the *London International Philatelic Exhibition* in July.

The *Rome Philatelic Club*, of which Dr. Alberto Diena (Enzo's father) is the president, meets every Sunday, and visiting stamp collectors are always welcome.

Upon our arrival at the Excelsior Hotel in Rome we were greeted by Comm. Dott. Brunetto Brunetti, of the International Relations Bureau of the General Post Office. He was accompanied by Mr. Fabian Vildosi, translator and interpreter for the Post Office Department, representing Mr. Romolo de Caterini, Director of Posts, who had been informed of our visit by L. Rohe Walter, Special Assistant to Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield. Unfortunately, Mr. de Caterini and the Minister of PTT were both out of the city during our visit, but Messrs. Brunetti and Vildosi saw to it that we were given every opportunity to make the contacts we desired, and they accompanied us on most of our visits.

Of particular interest was a tour of the Postal Museum under the guidance of the Director, Dominico

Andreassi. The Museum is housed in splendid quarters in the General Post Office Headquarters Building (third division), with a series of large rooms in which the exhibits are effectively displayed.

The Museum was established in 1925, when steps were taken to gather and preserve all available material associated with Postal, Telegraph, and Telephone activities; and a marvelous collection has resulted. These include original mail boxes, original autographs and manuscripts, and a whole room full of Marconi instruments. Even the furniture and paintings from an old postal station are included, and one could spend days before one could thoroughly study the material.

Of particular interest to stamp collectors are of course the stamps themselves. All of the more recent stamps are secured from the U.P.U.,



In the picture above His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman is seen receiving a presentation of Ghana stamps from Mrs. D. Griffiths, representing the Ghana Philatelic Agency, New York. His Eminence on this occasion expressed his interest in the new African nation and its stamps, and sent his blessing to the people of Ghana. He also recalled that when Prime Minister Kwame Nkrumah visited this country, he autographed a presentation folder to be turned over to the Cardinal by Sister Fidelma.

but to fill the gaps, the Museum is privileged to exchange duplicates with collectors and dealers, and purchases can also be made from the Museum budget if and when there is any excess for that purpose.

The stamps are all mounted on printed pages and kept in a file of cabinets with slide panels, made in Switzerland. Of even greater interest than the recent issues are the original drawings, proofs, and essays received from their counterpart of our country's Bureau of Engraving and Printing, just as our Post Office Department is doing. To keep their collection up to date and growing they issue "wants lists" from time to time to encourage donations to the collection, the value of which can be deducted from income taxes.

The Museum also has a large and remarkably fine collection of the original dies and plates used for the Italian States stamps, and hundreds of the cancellations used during the entire period. It is fortunate that these are now permanently in the custody of the Museum, for they could create havoc in the stamp world if they were to get into the hands of anyone wishing to use them for fraudulent purposes.

Dr. Enzo Diena has written a very complete report on the Museum which was published in several instalments in the Official Post Office Bulletin. He has also written a shorter article on the postal displays for his own publication.

In October 1959 the Post Office Department published a handsome book in three languages: Italian, French, and English, with all stamps illustrated in actual color. The book is entitled "I Francobolli Dello Stato Italiano." Between 10,000 and 15,000 copies were pub-

lished. A large number were distributed to post office personnel and administrations, but a small quantity were placed on sale at 15,000 lire each (about \$25.00). On account of the colored illustrations these books could probably not be imported into the United States, although it is possible that some official copies were sent here.

On October 10, 1957, we had an interview with the *Hon. Bernardo Mattarella*, Minister of P.T.T. which was reported in STAMPS of November 2, 1957. At that time we mentioned the problem of the demonetized stamps that had accumulated since Italy had discontinued its philatelic agency. Mr. Mattarella advised us then that he had appointed a committee, on which stamp dealers were represented, to study the situation and to recommend the procedure to be followed. Owing to change of administration and other complicating factors, no decision has so far been announced, and we endeavored to learn just how matters now stand.

Dr. Enzo Diena, whose father, Dr. Alberto Diena, had served on the committee, and Vittorio Lo Bianco, one of Italy's foremost stamp dealers, were able to fill us in on the background. Briefly, the information given us was roughly as follows: (1) By official decree all remainders of commemoratives since 1954 have presumably been destroyed. (2) All remainders of rare issues prior to 1954 have long since been sold at a premium. (3) The accumulated remainders, which contain no rare issues, going back to 1862-64 and up to 1954, have a value of about 2,800,000,000 Lire.

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New Italian Minister Posts Announces All Remainders of Demonetized Stamps Will Be Sold to Finance Improvements!

Editor's Note: In H. L. Lindquist's report from Rome in this week's issue of STAMPS, mention is made of a committee which had been appointed a few years ago by the Hon. Bernardo Mattarello, Minister of P.T.T., to consider what disposition should be made of demonetized Italian stamps that had been accumulating since Italy discontinued her Philatelic Agency. Mr. Lindquist also mentioned having discussed the matter on his present trip with Dr. Enzo Diena, whose father, Dr. Alberto Diena, had served on the committee, and with Vittorio Lo Bianco, a foremost stamp dealer there, as well as with Dr. Renato Lillini, Chief of the Postal Division, in an effort to learn what developments there had been.

Mr. Lindquist included in his report this week what he had been able to ascertain from these interviews. He has since then forwarded a letter which he received later from Dr. Enzo Diena, reporting a decision that developed just after his interviews, and which is apparently in complete opposition to the recommendations made by the Committee that has been considering the matter for three years. Dr. Diena's letter follows:

"Re. the Post Office remainders, something new has happened: just after you left, the new Minister of Posts, Mr. Maxia, held a press conference during which he spoke of several improvements in the Italian postal service. He also said that, in order to finance part of these improvements (which include pay raises for the employees), he is planning to sell the entire stock of demonetized postage stamps and to raise no less than five billion Italian lire from the sale. One wonders if he really meant what he said, because the value of the remainders had recently been assessed by a Government committee at 2.8 billions; and furthermore, the former Minister had agreed that even this figure was unattainable, and had decided to sell 0.8 billion lire worth of stamps only, and to destroy the rest. We'll see what happens."

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(The complete list for the year appears this week, and will be repeated occasionally as space permits. On other weeks only future issues will be included.)

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- Jan. 20—Mount Vernon, Virginia—4c George Washington "American Credo"
- Feb. 8—Washington, D. C.—4c Boy Scouts of America
- Feb. 18—4c Squaw Valley (Olympic Valley)
- March 7—Washington, D. C.—4c & 8c Masaryk "Champion of Liberty"
- March 31—Philadelphia, Pa.—4c Franklin "Credo"
- April 7—Washington, D. C.—4c World Refugee Year
- April 18—Washington, D. C.—4c Water Conservation
- April 22—San Francisco, Calif.—25c "Liberty" airmail
- May 18—Charlottesville, Virginia—4c Jefferson "Credo"
- May 28—Chicago, Illinois—2½c stamped Envelope
- May 31—Washington, D. C.—4c SEATO Commemorative
- June 2—Washington, D. C.—4c American Woman
- June 10—Miami, Florida—10c "Liberty" Airmail
- June 17—Santa Fe, New Mexico—1¼c Palace of Governors, regular issue
- June 17—Santa Fe, New Mexico—1¼c Palace of Governors, coil
- June 18—Minneapolis, Minn.—5c airmail postal card
- June 25—Birmingham, Alabama—1¼c stamped envelope (5c each)
- July 4—Honolulu, Hawaii—4c Fifty-Star Flag
- July 19—Sacramento, Calif.—4c Pony Express
- July 19—St. Joseph, Missouri—4c Pony Express stamped envelope (5c each)
- Aug. 12—Arlington, Va.—7c Fire Red Airmail Sheet Stamp
- Aug. 18—Portland, Oregon—7c Fire Red Embossed Airmail Envelope (8c each)
- Aug. 19—St. Louis, Missouri—7c Fire Red Airmail Stamp in Booklet Form (Served with full panes of 6 only at 42c per cover)
- Aug. 28—New York 1, New York—4c Employ the Physically Handicapped
- Aug. 29—Seattle, Wash.—4c Fifth World Forestry Congress
- Sept. 14—Baltimore, Md.—4c Francis Scott Key "Credo"
- Sept. 16—Los Angeles, Calif.—4c Mexican Independence Centennial
- Sept. 26—Washington, D. C.—4c Japanese-American Treaty Centennial
- Oct. 8—Washington, D. C.—4c and 8c Paderewski Champion of Liberty
- Oct. 18—New York, N. Y.—4c Boys Clubs of America
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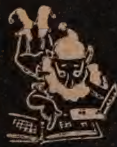
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The public is invited to attend and to view the exhibition, which will also feature wood carvings, hand-woven kente cloth, and other interesting items from Ghana. The Republic Day stamps will be among those on exhibit, giving visitors a preview of the four colorful stamps and the souvenir sheet which will be issued the following day. The stamps will be on sale immediately on opening of the A. & S. store on July 1st.

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From Peter E. Rentschler, Hamilton, O., comes a feature article, from the May 1960 edition of National Cash Register's *Factory News*, on two employees of the firm who won high honors at the Day Philatelic Society's 1960 exhibition. Norman Wyant, Jr. took first place with his Queen Elizabeth collection. Clarence Broadfoot won a bronze medal for the most popular exhibit, insect and butterfly stamps.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dhirubhai Mehta send their greetings from the B. J. Medical College in Ahmedabad, India. Mr. Mehta, well-known in philatelic circles and a prominent worker in the People-to-People Program, is honorary editor of the *Philatelic Journal of India*.

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Mary S. Phillips, Orange, Mass., sends us a clipping from the June 6th edition of the *Springfield Union*, about a philatelic adventurer who sold fraudulent stamps to Belgium philatelists postmarked "Mars." Embarrassment over their purchases apparently prevented the naive philatelists from complaining to the police, for it was not until 763 sales were made, that the outerspace stamps were forcibly removed from sale and their distributor removed to the limited confines of a prison cell.

Mrs. Phillips also reports that covers sent to Moscow, in anticipation of President Eisenhower's visit there, were very courteously handled by the secretary of the Academy of Sciences. The covers, which were specially cacheted, are being serviced with various recent commemorative issues. The plain envelopes were sent to the Soviet Polar "9" station for cachets and mailing. Mrs. Phillips reports that the secretary's reply to her was written in excellent English that no allusion was made to the U-2 incident or the cancellation of President Eisenhower's visit to the U.S.S.R.

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Lorenzo P. Benjamin, Willmar, Minn., has sent us a copy of an article from the June 12, 1960 edition of the *Minneapolis Sunday Tribune* called "There's Beauty in Stamps," written by Fred Korotkin. It is beautifully illustrated in color with various topical stamps, and gives information on topical collecting and the American Topical Association. Mr. Benjamin com-

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From Herbert Berl, Washington, D. C., comes a sample of a postage meter design showing a skeleton, framed by a glass, behind the wheel of a car, with the legend at the left reading, "Even a little drinking reduces your driving judgment!" Mr. Berl compares this "rather gruesome" design with Ukraine's stamp, Scott's #B3, whose theme is "Death Stalking Peasant."

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Robert Smith, of Baltimore, Maryland, who for some time has been traveling abroad, reports it is possible to buy Bulgarian stamps in the main post offices of Plovdiv and Sofia, Bulgaria. They are sold to collectors only in complete sets, many of them above face value. Certain stamps, chiefly imperforate ones, are sold at many times face value. The 80 stotinkis Bulgarian "Sputnik" stamp was selling in August and September 1959 for Lev. 2.40 (three times face) for a perforate copy, and Lev. 3.50 for an imperforate one. As in most communist countries, the government issues some stamps in limited numbers and sells them to the public at a great profit.

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THE United States commemorative postage stamp marking the 150th anniversary of Mexican Independence, which is to be a part of a joint issuance of special stamps by the two neighboring nations, will be first placed on sale September 16, 1960, at Los Angeles, California. Los Angeles was designated as the place of initial issuance because it has the greatest concentration of Americans of Mexican origin in this country.

Except for the necessary differences in text and denominations, the Mexican Independence stamps issued by both nations will be identical in design, featuring the bell now at the National Palace in Mexico City which is rung each year by the President of Mexico to signal the beginning of the Independence anniversary. This historic bell was brought to Mexico City from Dolores, where Miguel Hidalgo rang it in his church in his call for independence.

As noted in the Department's release of May 25, 1960, the common designs were the result of the cooperative efforts of Leon Helguera of Mexico and Charles R. Chickering of the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing. It was approved in Mexico City May 12, 1960, by postal officials of Mexico and members of the United States Post Office Department's Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee.

The design of the United States commemorative postage stamp to mark the 150th anniversary of Mexican Independence will be announced at an early date. It will, as noted, be printed in red and green on white—the Mexican National colors. Printing will be on the Giori press, in sheets of 50 subjects, L-type perforated, and a total of 120 million stamps has been ordered.

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Charles R. Chickering of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing has designed a number of U. S. commemoratives, including the 3-cent Polio stamp of 1957, the Devil's Tower National Monument stamp of 1956, the 3-cent Booker T. Washington commemorative of 1956, the 3-cent Armed Forces Reserve commemorative of 1955, and the 4-cent Dr. Ephraim McDowell "Famous American" of 1959.

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THE 4c commemorative postage stamp marking the 100th anniversary of the Boys' Clubs of America Movement, to be first placed on sale October 18, 1960, at New York, New York, will show a profile head of a young boy. The stamp was designed by *Charles T. Coiner*, vice-president in charge of N. W. Ayer & Son's Art Department, Philadelphia.

The boy's head at the right of the design, facing left, is printed in a shade of red. At the left side, between two horizontal bars, are the words "BOYS' CLUBS OF AMERICA" in dark roman lettering arranged so that each word is flush to the right.



Design of Boys Clubs
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Below these words, to the extreme left and reading upwards, are the years "1860-1960". The denomination "4c" is in the lower left, and "U. S. POSTAGE" across the bottom. The horizontal bars and the denomination are in blue, and all other lettering is in gray.

The design for this stamp was modeled from Mr. Coiner's original drawing by *Charles R. Chickering* of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. The vignette was engraved by *Matthew D. Fenton*, and the lettering and numerals by *Robert J. Jones*.

Printing will be on the Giori press, sheet-fed, and perforated by the L-type perforating machine. The stamps will measure 0.84 by 1.44 inches, arranged vertically, and issuance will be in sheets of fifty subjects. An initial order for 120 million has been placed.

Collectors desiring first day cancellations may send addressed envelopes, together with remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the Postmaster, New York 1, New York. A close-fitting enclosure of postal card thickness should be placed in each envelope and the flap either turned in or sealed.

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Rocket Mail from the Mojave Test Area

By HAROLD J. FRANKEL

ON July 13, 1958, the Reaction Research Society sponsored an experimental rocket mail flight at the Mojave Test Area, Kern County, California. It was destined to meet with frustrations, and failure of the rocket to fulfill as intended is plainly evident in the covers.

The first problem to cope with was the intense heat of the day, with 110 deg. at the time the flight was to take place. According to information from Edward B. Parker, president of the Society, only ten pieces of philatelic mail were placed in the rocket, owing to space limitations. Each piece of mail was numbered on the back, with a black rubber-stamp, "RRS1," "RRS2," etc.

The rocket was equipped with a parachute recovery system, but mechanical difficulties arose which resulted in the rocket hitting the

ground with tremendous impact. The severity of the concussion caused the four layers of aluminum foil in which the covers were wrapped to split open; and oil leaking from the broken mechanical switch soaked through the covers. When removed from the smashed rocket, the covers were so wrinkled that they had to be steam-ironed before they could be placed in the mail. Also, bits of aluminum foil had become imbedded in several of them. One of the technicians was injured at the launching site and had to be taken to a doctor for treatment.

The ten pieces of experimental rocket mail are described as follows: Regular weight airmail envelopes (6½ x 3½ inches), postmarked Hawthorne, California, JY 29, 1958, 11 AM. In the upper right hand corner a typed inscription, R.R.S., P.O. Box 1101, Glendale 5, Cali-

fornia. A rubber-stamped cachet on the left side of the cover, Reaction Research Society, Jul 13, 1958, Experimental Rocket Mail, and typed below that: Rocket Flight to 2000 feet over Mojave Test Area with the signature of Edward B. Parker, as President of the Reaction Research Society. To each cover is affixed the 6c airmail stamp commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the United States Air Force.

Correspondence with Mr. Parker concerning this flight resulted in his discovering several pieces of rocket mail in the Society's files that were not previously known to exist. In commemoration of the Society's tenth anniversary an experimental mail rocket flight had been held on September 20, 1953, at the Mojave Test Area, near Mojave, California. Souvenir rocket mail cards were carried, each one being numbered.

The souvenir rocket cards measure 3¼ x 5½ inches and on one side is the printed inscription: "This souvenir card was FLOWN BY ROCKET, Sunday, September 20, 1953 in a rocket launched by the REACTION RESEARCH SOCIETY, Glendale, California at the MOJAVE TEST AREA near Mojave, California to celebrate the TENTH ANNIVERSARY YEAR of the Society. Below the inscription is the printed number of the card. On the reverse side of the card is a photograph of a rocket zooming into the sky with a vapor trail behind it.

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234	4		b	12.95	618	4	c	2.25	C2	4		a	19.45
234	Strip of 3	Impr.	c	12.75	619	PI Bl 6 Top	ab	21.00	C3	4	A.	b	23.45
285	PI Bl 6	Imprt	a	11.45	619	PI Bl 6 Bott	c	16.45	C3	4		a	22.95
287	Bl 4	Imprt.	b	23.75	619	PI Bl 6 Rgt	b	18.95	C4	PI Bl 6		c	13.90
295	4 A, T		a	4.90	619	4	b	7.65	C4	PI Bl 4	4	a	7.90
297	4		a	24.95	619	4	c	5.95	C4	4		a	7.45
298	4		c	18.95	620	PI Bl 8	b	19.95	C4	4		b	5.90
325	4		c	16.95	620	4 C. L.	b	4.95	C5	PI Bl 6	4	b	33.90
328	PI Bl 8	Imprt	a	18.95	620	4 A.	b	3.65	C5	4		a	27.75
328	PI Bl 8		b	13.95	620	4	b	3.25	C5	4		b	21.95
328	4		a	8.75	620	4	c	2.55	C5	4		c	17.90
328	4		c	4.45	621	PI Bl 4	b	18.45	C6	PI Bl 6		a	84.00
329	PI Bl 8	Impr	a	24.75	621	PI Bl 6	b	25.50	C6	PI Bl 6 Top		b	73.45
329	PI Bl 8		b	19.95	621	4 C. L.	b	21.95	C6	PI Bl 6 L, R.		b	66.95
329	Bl 4		a	10.50	621	4	b	17.80	C10	PI Bl 6 T, B.		a	8.45
329	Bl 4		c	5.50	621	4	c	14.50	C10	PI Bl 6 T, B.		b	6.75
548	PI Bl 4		b	1.95	628	PI Bl 6 T	ab	15.75	C10	PI Bl 6 L, R.		a	7.65
548	PI Bl 4		c	1.55	628	4	a	6.90	C10	PI Bl 6 L, R.		b	6.45
549	PI Bl 6	Top	c	8.90	628	4	b	4.95	C11	PI Bl 6		b	3.45
550	4		a	23.75	648	4	a	8.90	C11	PI Bl 6		b	2.55
550	4		b	18.45	649	PI Bl 6 T	b	2.65	C11	Strip of 10 2 PI No.		a	184.00
550	4		c	14.95	649	PI Bl 6 L, R.	b	2.35	red Top	a \$ 4.95	b	3.75	
537	4		a	6.90	649	PI Bl 6 L, R.	c	1.75	blue top	a 5.95	b	4.75	
537	4		c	4.45	650	PI Bl 6 T	b	8.75	red & blue Top	a 7.90	b	6.75	
614	4		b	1.95	650	PI Bl 6 T	c	6.95	C12	PI Bl 6 Top		a	9.25
614	4		c	1.55	650	PI Bl 6 L, R.	b	7.95	C12	PI Bl 6 L, R.		a	8.45
615	PI Bl 6	Top	a	7.45	650	PI Bl 6 L, R.	c	6.45	C12	PI Bl 6 L, R.		b	6.75
615	4		c	2.25	649	Strip of 10 plus	1.20	C13-15	C13-15			a	184.00
616	PI Bl 6	Top	b	32.95	650	Strip of 10 plus	4.00	C13-15	(C15 Printg fold)			a	148.00
616	PI Bl 6	Bott	b	29.75	656	Pair	b	3.25	C13-15	PI Bl 4 Superb		a	775.00
616	4		b	18.45	656	Pair	a	4.25	C18	PI Bl 6 Top		a	76.45
616	4		c	13.75	656	Strip of 4 double c.	PAIR	C18	PI Bl 4			a	29.90
617	PI Bl 6		ab	3.65	859-93	PI Bl 4	a	74.45	C22	PI Bl 6		a	7.45
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Boys' Clubs of America F.D. Date October 18

THE tentative date of August 6th which had been set for the Boys' Clubs of America U. S. stamp to coincide with the opening of the movement's first permanent National Headquarters in New York, has been postponed to October 18, 1960. The August 6th date, which has been appearing in our "forthcoming stamps" column has therefore been changed this week to the now officially announced date of October 18th.

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News, Views and Comments

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(4) The aforementioned Committee, which has been working for nearly three years, has considered: (a) destroying the entire lot; (b) destroying only such issues as are already in big supply on the market; (c) selling the entire lot. (d) Divide the remainders into twenty-eight lots and sell them at auction. (e) An American dealer offered a flat sum for the entire lot, with option to withdraw them in instalments and pay only for the part withdrawn; this offer was refused.

We heard many other versions and much guessing, but we feel the foregoing is pretty close to fact. However, we decided to arrange an appointment with Dr. Renato Lillini, Chief of the Postal Division, in an effort to get first-hand authoritative information. Dr. Lillini called in Mr. Aldo Piermattei, head of the Special Bureau for Philatelic Service, and I was shown a release that will soon be sent out which will clarify the situation, although some details still remained to be settled. They seemed to be fairly definite on one point, however, which was that the stamps, if sold at all, will be offered at auction. We have been promised a release as soon as it is available.

We discussed several other matters of philatelic interest. For instance, Italian stamps have the year of issue printed on the bottom of each stamp, and the stamps are good for purchase for one full calendar year after date of issue. We argued that the best policy is not to demonetize at all, but we doubt if we made any headway, although they listened attentively and respectfully.

Before we left New York we had made an appointment to meet Walter Weisbecker, founder of the F.A.O. Stamp Club, and we were pleased to renew our acquaintance with him and his wife during our brief stay in Rome. As a result of our last meeting, Mr. Weisbecker, a trained newspaper man who was a co-founder of the popular *Rome Daily American*, wrote two articles for STAMPS on his specialties: *Italian Occupation Stamps of Foreign Territory*; and *Foreign Occupation Stamps of Italian Territory*. He is a recognized authority in this field of philately. We arrived just in time, for Mr. Weisbecker was soon to leave for a two months' visit to the United States. He will spend time in California and New York, where he lived before leaving

for Naples with the U. S. Army in 1943. Mr. Weisbecker has been an active worker in the People-to-People Program right from the start.

No trip to Rome would be complete without the constant help and advice of *Vittorio Lo Bianco*, whom we have known since 1929, when he first came to the United States. Within two hours after we had reached our hotel *Vittorio* was on hand to greet us and take us out to lunch at a new restaurant, *Giggi Faza*; their attractive menu illustrated each specialty.

That same evening he took us to *Alfredo in Trastevere*, the "Greenwich Village" of Rome, where you eat delicious Fettucine while being entertained by strolling singers with their guitars. There we met *Alfredo, Jr.*, son of the proprietor, who had recently opened a large garden restaurant with the world-famous name of *Quo Vadis*. While different, it lived up to its namesakes. Of course we insisted on a visit to the *Hosteria Dell' Orso* where we enjoyed chicken in champagne and wild strawberries. The building dates from the thirteenth century, and *Dante* is reputed to have stayed there.

Then, to cap the climax, Mr. and Mrs. Lo Bianco insisted that our final dinner in Rome must be enjoyed at their beautiful home at 10 Paoli Frisi, where we were served with practically everything for which we had expressed a liking.

In between the meetings we have

mentioned we had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Estelle Escobar, daughter of our well beloved *Jacob S. Glaser*, whose 80th birthday party we reported a few weeks ago. Mrs. Escobar was visiting her daughter who lives in Italy with her musician husband and two daughters.

Our final visit was to Rome's largest stamp dealers: Ray Mond, of Via Poli 29 (Tritone). The owners are *Di Renato Mondolfo* and *E. Luigi Raybaudi Massilia*, the first part of whose names make up the title of the firm. They have a large suite of offices, with a large central room for auctions. We were just in time to receive the first copy of their 240-page illustrated net price list containing 12,680 separate offers. Scores of full-page plates make it a real reference work. The prices are good only until October 31, 1960, a period of 4½ months, so one can realize the volume of business that is done.

There were many other persons we would like to have seen, but with only five days at Rome, we had crowded in as much as possible. We had not been able to do any shopping or exploring, and as we write this we are about to leave for Montecatini, a spa in the Tuscany district, where we can take the baths and drink the waters while continuing our philatelic contacts in various cities of the district. Our next report will be from there.

—H. L. LINDQUIST

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Mr. Coiner is a native of California. He attended the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts, and studied art sources and influences in Europe. His paintings hang in the Whitney Museum in New York, the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, the Philadelphia Museum of Art and various private collections.

He has an active interest in art schools throughout the country, and has been on the advisory board of several of them. He has served as chairman of the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Museum College of Art, and has been a Trustee of the Philadelphia Museum of Art for the past ten years. He is the first American to have received the annual award of the National Society of Art Directors for "distinction in the practice of his profession."

JEFFERSON CREDO

F. D. SALES

There were 454,903 first day covers canceled May 18, 1960, and 714,364 stamps sold at Charlottesville, Virginia, when the 4-cent Thomas Jefferson "Credo" stamp was initially placed on sale.

15c & 25c AIRMAILS

OF 1947 OFF AGENCY SALE

The 15c and 25c international airmail stamps of 1947 were removed from sale at the Philatelic Sales Agency in Washington, D. C., as of the close of business June 15, 1960. These stamps have been replaced by new designs: the 15-cent denomination, released November 20, 1959, and the 25-cent value on April 22, 1960. The 10-cent stamp, completing the series, was issued June 10, 1960.

H.P.O. NOTES

Effective July 1, 1960, the Clarksdale, Greenwood & Jackson Highway Post Office will be rerouted, and will be known as the Clarksdale, Leland and Jackson Highway Post Office. There will be no first trip cancellations but covers will be serviced by the Postmasters at Clarksdale and Jackson, both in Mississippi.

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28	4.25	3.25	C164-69	5.80	19.50	C9-13	7.00	801-4	2.65	806-11	1.80	C102-6	8.25	118-25	2.75	52-57	1.80			
60-61	2.00	1.00	C188-97	3.25	39.00	Same, pair	3.25	822-24	1.85	864-67	3.50	C107-9	2.00	305-24	3.75	70-71, 76	1.80			
117	.65	2.60	C209-21	5.50	1.75	CB3-5	1.75	885	1.50	C5-10	2.00	C113-21	8.50	341-50	3.75	79-81, 84	.80			
181a	3.80	5.00	C261-68	5.00	3.20	CB3a-5a	1.75	C29-30	1.65	C31-36	7.00	C124-26	6.00	305-24	3.75	88-89, 111	.45			
345-46	.85	4.50	C279-88	4.50	2.25	2N45-57	3.20	C178-79	3.85	C158-62	4.00	C131-33	4.90	305-24	3.75	112-14	.55			
361-62	2.75	7.25	C01-5	2.25	1.80	2N57	1.80	074	6.25	C168-75	2.75	C147-53	4.00	305-24	3.75	122-25, 128	.40			
377-84	5.50	7.25	C07-14	7.25	2.20	Liechtenstein	2.20	074	6.25	C179-83	.80	C158-62	4.00	305-24	3.75	129-30, 134-37	.40			
398-400	2.70	4.25	C044-51	4.25	5.75	1-3	2.20	074	6.25	C184-88	.80	C168-75	2.75	305-24	3.75	141-45	.50			
400	1.75	8.00	C069-87	8.00	1.60	62-69	5.75	074	6.25	C216-20	4.50	C179-83	.80	305-24	3.75	148-54	.50			
442-43	.45	2.50	Hungary	2.50	7.75	90-93	1.60	074	6.25	C246-51	1.80	C184-88	.80	305-24	3.75	156-62	.55			
451	.75	1.10	788A-80	2.50	11.50	94-105	7.75	074	6.25	Peru	3.25	C216-20	4.50	305-24	3.75	163-64	.40			
473-76	.35	.25	816-25	1.10	3.75	94-107	11.50	074	6.25	32-34	.90	C246-51	1.80	305-24	3.75	165-69	.40			
688-91	.95	.60	1000-3	.25	5.75	108-110	11.50	074	6.25	37-40	5.25	32-34	.90	305-24	3.75	170-80	.90			
693-96	1.20	.70	1148-55	.60	3.75	111-13	3.75	074	6.25	47	1.50	37-40	5.25	305-24	3.75	181-83	.50			
727-95	1.00	5.25	1160-67	.70	3.60	114	5.75	074	6.25	52	1.00	47	1.50	305-24	3.75	186-93	.70			
B12-14	1.10	.40	B18-34	5.25	.60	130	3.60	074	6.25	57	3.50	52	1.00	305-24	3.75	194-99	.65			
B15-18	6.00	.50	B199-201	.40	1.70	132-35	.60	074	6.25	120a	4.50	57	3.50	305-24	3.75	200-3	.40			
B19-22	2.40	3.90	B211-16	.50	1.00	146-50	2.20	074	6.25	131	.80	120a	4.50	305-24	3.75	C1-6	1.00			
B23-27	6.00	10.00	C24-25	3.90	1.2	154	1.70	074	6.25	167-72	7.00	131	.80	305-24	3.75	C7-12	1.00			
B46-48	5.00	3.25	C32-34	10.00	1.65	166-70	1.00	074	6.25	196-206	3.00	167-72	7.00	305-24	3.75	C13-15	6.25			
B57	6.00	.50	C35-44	3.25	1.25	172-75	1.2	074	6.25	230-39	2.00	196-206	3.00	305-24	3.75	C17-19	.35			
B67	2.90	.80	C53-62	.50	1.05	176-80	1.65	074	6.25	308-19	.75	230-39	2.00	305-24	3.75	C20-26	5.60			
B134-36	.80	6.00	Iceland	6.00	2.50	181-84	1.25	074	6.25	329-35	.65	308-19	.75	305-24	3.75	E1-4	2.40			
B177-85	.70	8.50	232-35	.65	2.60	188-91	1.05	074	6.25	336-42	1.10	329-35	.65	305-24	3.75	E5	1.45			
B294-95	3.00	11.00	237-39	4.00	2.20	192-95	1.00	074	6.25	369-79	1.10	336-42	.65	305-24	3.75	E6-7	.35			
1N14-17	8.50	7.50	240-45	.80	2.20	196-97	.25	074	6.25	384-88	1.20	369-79	1.10	305-24	3.75	J16-29	3.65			
1N1-17	11.00	8.50	276-80	.80	2.20	198-211	2.60	074	6.25	403, 415	1.00	384-88	1.20	305-24	3.75	Q13-25	2.70			
1N34-41	8.50	7.50	C4-8	7.00	2.20	215-16	2.20	074	6.25	433-35	.80	403, 415	1.00	305-24	3.75	51-59	22.00			
C27-34	7.50	2.50	C45	2.00	2.20	223-25	1.20	074	6.25	436-39	.80	433-35	.80	305-24	3.75	63-76	7.00			
C45	2.50	3.20	O48-40	2.25	2.50	226	.60	074	6.25	442-45	.75	436-39	.80	305-24	3.75	79-94	3.75			
C55-56	3.20	5.25	O50-51	7.50	2.40	227-35	2.50	074	6.25	463-66	.60	442-45	.75	305-24	3.75	98-114	3.50			
OL9-14	5.25	1.75	Israel	5.00	3.70	240-42	1.00	074	6.25	520-55	1.10	463-66	.60	305-24	3.75	C1-3	1.50			
5N14-27	1.75	1.10	10-14	5.00	.95	244	2.40	074	6.25	B1-4	.80	520-55	1.10	305-24	3.75	C10-13	5.00			
5N24-40	10.00	1.10	28-30	3.70	2.10	274-76	.95	074	6.25	B5-12	1.50	B1-4	.80	305-24	3.75	C16	2.50			
5N43-44	1.10	7.50	24	.35	.85	281-83	.75	074	6.25	B37-39	.70	B5-12	1.50	305-24	3.75	C31-34	3.00			
5NB1-4	7.50	24	26	.85	.55	284-86	2.10	074	6.25	B56-62	.85	B37-39	.70	305-24	3.75	C01-8	1.65			
5NB5-14	7.75	1.90	62-64	.55	.45	289-92	.85	074	6.25	B83-93	.95	B56-62	.85	305-24	3.75	O44-60	3.00			
6N16-29	1.90	4.90	65	.45	3.00	297-300	.75	074	6.25	B94-98	.70	B83-93	.95	305-24	3.75	Swaziland	3.20			
6N30-38	4.90	1.65	C15	3.00	1.10	308-11	1.10	074	6.25	B99-109	.70	B94-98	.70	305-24	3.75	48-49	1.65			
6N39-40	1.65	1.40	Italian Colonies	1.25	1.75	312-14	.60	074	6.25	B159-63	1.10	B99-109	.70	305-24	3.75	55-66	6.50			
6NB1-2	.55	1.20	1-12	1.25	1.75	B1-6	2.50	074	6.25	B164-68	1.10	B159-63	1.10	305-24	3.75	6-6a	2.00			
8N39-39	2.40	1.20	41	1.75	1.70	B15-17	1.25	074	6.25	B179-72	.50	B164-68	1.10	305-24	3.75	Tonga	2.00			
8N40-41	1.40	1.20	C13-18	4.25	1.70	B18	.95	074	6.25	B175-78	.50	B179-72	.50	305-24	3.75	43-52	8.75			
8NB7-8	1.20	1.65	Italy	3.50	1.40	B19-21	.85	074	6.25	B192-94	.55	B175-78	.50	305-24	3.75	63-69	7.00			
9N79	.80	1.65	115-16	3.50	1.40	C17-23	1.70	074	6.25	B192-94	.55	B192-94	.55	305-24	3.75	100-13	4.75			
9N95-98	1.65	1.60	159-64	2.50	1.20	O9-10	3.00	074	6.25	B198-200	.45	B192-94	.55	305-24	3.75	Transjordan	10.00			
9N99-100	.50	1.00	178-83	.75	1.50	C1-7	1.40	074	6.25	B207-9	1.30	B198-200	.45	305-24	3.75	53-63	21.50			
9N102	.60	2.15	268-79	1.50	2.40	C8-14	1.20	074	6.25	B233-36	.45	B207-9	1.30	305-24	3.75	145-57	21.50			
9N88-93	1.00	.40	280-80	2.40	3.75	C15-17	.65	074	6.25	B237-40	1.10	B233-36	.45	305-24	3.75	317-18	4.50			
9NB8-11	2.15	35	345-48	3.75	2.50	C18-20	.65	074	6.25	B318-25	.45	B237-40	1.10	305-24	3.75	B1-12	9.50			
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			41-52	4.00	B121-25	B121-25	1.00	074	6.25	170-80	2.00	170-80	2.00	305-24	3.75	13-22	6.75			
			53-62	8.75	B137-42	B137-42	2.20	074	6.25	170-80	2.00	170-80	2.00	305-24	3.75	56	3.00			
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New 10c Air Mail Stamp Has First Day at Pan American Stamporee

THE new 10-cent international air mail stamp, issued to carry letters to Latin and South America, had its first day in Miami, Florida, June 10th, 1960 with appropriate ceremonies at the Pan American Stamporee, opening day of a three-day exhibition and bourse, sponsored by the Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs.

The first day festivities and show were held in the beautiful Skyroom of the DuPont Plaza Hotel and attracted collectors and dealers from every part of Florida as well as many out-of-state visitors. Postal officials who participated in the first day ceremonies included *L. Rohe Walter*, Special Assistant to the Postmaster General and the *Hon. Eugene Dunlap*, Postmaster of Miami.

The *Miami-Dade County Chamber of Commerce* held a luncheon on June 10th at which *Mrs. Adele Freund*, President, International Affairs of the Chamber, was toastmaster. The *Hon. Robert King High*, Mayor of the City of Miami, welcomed the members and guests and *Mrs. J. H. Sollenberger*, President, Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs, and Postmaster Dunlap spoke. *L. Rohe Walter* gave the principal address and distributed presentation albums featuring the new stamp to official dignitaries present.

Consuls of the Pan American and West Indies countries were represented at the speaker's table by *Fernando Rodrigues Pastor*, dean of the Consular Corps in Miami and many consuls from our neighboring nations to the south were in attendance.

A special treat at the luncheon was provided by the *Singing Mailmen*, choral group of the Miami Post Office, under the direction of *Bob Zander*. This talented group gave a number of stirring selections and left the crowd seeking more.

The exhibition had as its theme air mail stamps issued by the member countries of the Pan American Union and an outstanding non-competitive exhibit of these issues was displayed. *John Gavelek*, president of the Miami Stamp Club, hosts to the Federation, was chairman of the show and he and his able crew provided an outstanding exhibit.

Winners in the exhibition were: *C. S. Thompson, Jr.*, Miami, Gold Award for Early Steamship Markings of the New York Post Office; *Bruce Andreu*, Miami, Gold Award for 1893 Columbian Exposition issue including card proofs, post cards and other collateral material; *Cyril E. Gibbons*, Sarasota, Silver Award for Religion on Stamps; *George W. Gehres*, Jacksonville, Silver Award for "Philatelic Phun and Phact"; *Erwin Harris*, Miami, Bronze Award for Postmasters Provisionals, Carriers and Wells Fargo and for Civil War Patriotic Covers; *Marion C. Gibbons*, Sarasota, Bronze Award for Religion on Stamps.

The Florida Federation banquet, held on June 10th, was presided over by *John Gavelek*, who introduced the guests, and *Mrs. Joseph H. Shollenberger*, who gave the welcoming speech. *L. Rohe Walter* addressed the gathering and distributed presentation albums to a number of the

philatelic personalities who were on hand.

The mid-year meeting of the *Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs*, which comprises nineteen member and three associate member clubs, was held on Saturday, June 11, as was the annual convention meeting of the *American Stamp Dealers Association*.

Murray Simnock, vice president of the South Florida Chapter of the A.S.D.A. conducted the meeting, and *Peter Keller*, executive secretary, addressed those present.

The A.S.D.A. banquet, following the convention meeting, had a large turnout which enjoyed not only a tasty dinner, but a program of entertainment capably arranged by co-chairmen *Murray Simnock* and *Hy Abramson*. The program, in five acts, was as international as stamp collecting itself with the *Lyric Twins* and *Lynn* from London, England and New Zealand respectively; *Carolli*, a magician from Budapest, Hungary; *Sasha Leonoff*, accordionist and comedian from Siberia; *Doc Mitchell*, a mystic from Istanbul, Turkey; *Laura Kellogg* from Kansas City, Mo., and all headed up by master of ceremonies *Hal Fisher* of Miami, who doubles as president of the South Florida Chapter of the A.S.D.A.

All concerned with the Stamporee: *John Gavelek*, exhibit chairman, *Bruce Ball*, who was in charge of the bourse arrangements, and the hard workers in the *Miami Stamp Club* and *Florida Federation* are to be complimented on the fine job they did.

The catalog numbers and prices used in the advertisements in this issue are all from Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalog unless specifically stated otherwise in the ads.



Through courtesy of *G. S. Knoth*, who was one of the very active workers in the Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs Exhibition, we have a photograph of the Miami Singing Mailmen mentioned in

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The stamps in the Queen's exhibit will all be from issues in actual use one hundred years ago. These include many pages of the Royal Collection which have never before been exhibited in public.

Great Britain will be represented by six pages of the unusual Private Telegraph Companies stamps, seldom seen in collections these days. The items include some which are unique.

The *Australian States* provide twelve pages and include the only known mint block of four of the first issue of Queensland, together with a display of rouletted issues of *South Australia* and the Perkins Bacon printings for *Western Australia*.

The embossed 9d, and 1/- stamps of *Natal* were still in use in 1860, but in unused condition they are unknown outside the Royal Collection from which examples of these 9d and 1/- varieties will be displayed. Another unique *Natal* item is the Die Proof of the Perkins Bacon Chalon Head with marginal instructions.

From the *West Indian* section of the collection will come six pages of the first issue of *Jamaica*, the "Pineapples" of 1860, including the original drawings for the 6d. and 1/- values. The 1860 lithographed issue of *British Guiana* also contains some outstanding rarities of which the magnificent unused block of four of the 4 cents is a good example. Contemporary stamps from *Barbados* and *Trinidad* will round off the B.W.I. exhibit.

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As the exhibits arrive from all parts of the world they are being stored in the vaults of a London Bank. A day or two before the Exhibition opens they will be conveyed by armored car under police escort to the Royal Festival Hall for mounting in the 1170 frames which will be ready to receive them.

The moment they arrive at the Exhibition Hall a careful security plan goes into operation. While the Exhibition is open every frame will be under constant surveillance by guards and there are other security measures which cannot be disclosed. They are designed to ensure immediate assistance in an emergency.

When the Exhibition closes at night a team of guard dogs and their handlers take over and will patrol continually until the day staff resume duty. The dogs are not interested in stamps but they have been trained to dislike any unauthorized intruder!

It is obviously impracticable to disclose all the precautions taken

but exhibitors can be assured that the safety of their valuable stamps has been an overriding consideration of the Exhibition Executives who have fully appreciated the responsibility they have shouldered by inviting and accepting the cream of the world's collections for display at The Royal Festival Hall on London's South Bank in July.

The British Post Office will display rare sheets of postage stamps, many of them for the first time. The stamps will be exhibited in frames specially designed by Kenneth Grange, M.S.I.A.

In addition to stamps, there will also be a display of historic documents tracing Post Office history from early times to the present day.

As well as the special 3d and 1/3d stamps marking the tercentenary of the Charles II "Post Office" Act, (which will be put on sale at all post offices on July 7th) and all the normal range of postage stamps, it will be possible to buy the various stamps on sale in the different parts of the country at the temporary post office which is to be provided on the ground floor at the Exhibition. The stamps to be put on sale will include the 3d., 6d., and 1/3d. values for Wales and Monmouthshire, Scotland, and Northern

Ireland; the 3d. stamps for Jersey, Guernsey, and the Isle of Man; and the experimental stamps being used with the automatic letter facing machine on trial at Southampton. Postage due labels, normally only available by post from the London Postal Region, will also be on sale over the post office counter at this international philatelic exhibition. Items posted at the Exhibition will be specially postmarked.

As an experiment, sets of postage stamps, made up into attractive packets, will also be on sale. There will be four different packets—one containing the four high value stamps (2/6d-£1); another the eighteen low value stamps (1½d.-1/6d) in the general design; a third, the twelve stamps comprising the 3d., 6d., and 1/3d. stamps for Wales and Monmouthshire, Scotland, and Northern Ireland and the 3d stamps for Jersey, Guernsey, and the Isle of Man; and the fourth containing two sets of experimental stamps (1½d-4½d) having phosphor on the face and graphite on the gummed side. Philatelic information will be printed on all four packets.

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TIPOFF

SCOTT'S MONTHLY JOURNAL FOR JUNE—This is a very useful monthly publication, which contains a great deal of information and which often confirms many of my "tips." The unabated current upward trend in the stamp market is readily recorded, although even greater appreciation in valuations will have to take place if the 1961 Scott catalog is to be considered realistic.

The long-expected recognition of East Germany's #416 has taken place. This stamp is now more expensive and more elusive than it was at the time of its issue in late 1958. Now more collectors will try to acquire this commemorative, withdrawn from sale just a few hours after it was issued, and with the greater demand will come an even higher price. Since this stamp has become a major number in Scott, and not a footnote, as it was in the 1960 catalog, I would advise you to buy at best. At the time this report is being written, it sells from \$4.00 to \$5.50.

Other of my TIPOFFS which have risen in the June Journal are the following: Liechtenstein—#171, from \$8.00 to \$9.00; 171a, from \$32.00 to \$36.00 (U.S.A. wholesale price \$16.50); #218, from \$5.00 to \$6.00 (U.S.A. wholesale \$3.00); 218a, from \$20.00 to \$24.00 (U.S.A. wholesale \$12.50); 264, from \$5.50 to \$7.50; #C7-8, from \$25.50 to \$29.00; #C14, from \$5.00 to \$6.75; Luxembourg—#280-285, from \$6.00 to \$7.90; #318-320, from \$7.10 to \$11.60 (U.S.A. wholesale \$8.00); #329-331, \$2.15 to \$2.95 (U.S.A. wholesale \$2.50); Monaco—#129, from \$6.50 to \$8.00; #130, from \$13.50 to \$16.50; #176, from \$8.00 to \$10.00; #C27-29, from \$23.50 to \$32.00; Netherlands—#137-139, from \$9.75 to \$12.00; #B25-32 from \$8.85 to \$11.55; Persia—#935-940, from \$1.32 to \$3.95 (if available from abroad it costs \$6.00 to \$7.00); #995-998, from \$2.00 to \$6.10 (U.S.A. wholesale \$10.00); #1052-53, from 80c to \$1.50; Poland—#341-343, from \$8.25 to \$10.50.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—"Every dog has its day." Scott's Nos. B1-5 plus CB1-3, and B11-20 plus CB7-12 were "dogs," forced upon new issue dealers at the time of their release. In order to secure enough souvenir sheets for new issue customers, dealers had to take ten to twenty sets for each set of souvenir sheets. The souvenir sheets went fast, but a huge accumulation of the sets were left in most dealers' stock books. It will take some time before the supply will dwindle down. Both issues are U.N.-related material, however, as well as refugee commemoratives now being bought by World Refugee Year collectors. These stamps, issued in 1958, are now enjoying a revival of demand. Nos. B1-5 plus CB1-3 now sell for \$1.00, and Nos. B11-20 plus CB7-12 are offered for \$2.20 to \$2.50 a set. The time to get these sets is now while the price is low. Thousands of these sets will go into collections and not be heard about for some time to come. In two or three years' time, however, our present large surplus will be gone. For this reason, don't wait to get this topical bargain.

LEBANON—I have already mentioned such issues of this country as Scott's Nos. 220-224, CB5-9, C49-56, C141-145, C221-222. Now I would like to add two more sets to this list, Nos. B1-12 and CB1-4, issued for the relief of the refugees of the Djebel Druze War in 1926. These issues are low in price and much sought after today because of their Refugee theme. Although I do not know what replacements from abroad will cost, my advice is to get them now within Scott's present valuation. I am sure that the price will be different in a year's time.

CHINA—Scott's #B4-9 plus the souvenir sheet B9a, has come to life again. The surtax on this set went to the aid of war refugees, which explains its revival in this World Refugee Year. This set, issued in 1944, has been around for a long time, and in checking various wholesale catalogs, I have noticed that there are hardly any stocks on hand.

Another set with a similar background is No. B14-16, issued in 1954 to aid the evacuation of Chinese refugees from North Viet-Nam. It is priced very low in Scott's but there seem to be no stocks of this once slow-moving set which is now very much in demand.

Should you locate either or both of these issues within the current Scott valuation, obtain them now. Do not expect a big discount on Scott's valuation as the catalog price is not realistic in relation to their availability.

Lazarus Buying Trip

H. Lazarus, 29 Wadsworth Avenue, New York 33, N. Y., specialist dealer in postal history material, is making a European buying trip, which will include a visit to the London Exhibition, and will be away from June 27 through September 10. All correspondence will be held until his return.

P.O.D. to Provide Pony Express Rubber Stamp Cachet

AS part of the Post Office's activities in connection with the issuance of a Pony Express commemorative stamped envelope on July 19 in St. Joseph, Missouri, the Burlington Railroad will make a special run to St. Joseph. This run will reenact the role of its predecessor, the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad, in bringing the first batch of West bound mail for the Pony Express a century ago.

The equipment used in the special run will include a 19th century Diamond Stack steam locomotive and a replica of the first railway mail car in which mail was sorted enroute. Both are relics of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad which inaugurated the first rail service between the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers in February 1859.

On April 13 of the following year, a special Hannibal and St. Joseph train, powered by a wood-burning steam engine, rushed the first batch of oil-skin wrapped envelopes destined for the Pony Express to St. Joseph from Hannibal. The distance of 206 miles was covered in less than 4 hours or an average of about 50 miles an hour—breakneck speed in those days.

The steam engine to be used in the reenactment is of later vintage, having been built in 1892 and substantially modified to duplicate earlier models.

The Railway Mail car replica authentically reproduces the car that went into service on the Hannibal and St. Joseph

Railroad in 1862 to deliver mail sorted enroute to the Overland Stage coach at St. Joseph. The car was developed by William R. Davis, Assistant Postmaster at St. Joseph and was the forerunner of today's Railway Post Office cars.

To commemorate this special run into St. Joseph, Missouri, on July 19, 1960, the Post Office Department will provide a special rubber stamp cachet showing the old locomotive and mail car, and a Pony Express rider.

The Department will also utilize a special cancellation approximating as closely as possible an old Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad R.P.O. marking.

Collectors desiring this cachet and postmark may send stamped, addressed envelopes to the Postmaster, St. Joseph, Missouri, to reach him prior to July 19. Envelopes should be of ordinary letter size, should have a close fitting enclosure of postal card thickness, and the flap should be either turned in or sealed. An envelope must not be sent for the return of these covers, and the Department will not undertake to address, cachet and cancel the 4-cent Pony Express Centennial embossed envelopes which will be placed on sale that day at St. Joseph.

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Coming Events

July 8—Minnehaha Stamp Club meeting at the Pillsbury House, 320 16th Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn., at 8:00 P.M. Swap session.

July 8—Garfield-Perry Stamp Club meeting at 8:00 P.M., Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland, O. Admiral Jesse G. Johnson will present program on "Early Navy Covers."

July 8—California Collectors Club meeting at Broadmore Hotel, 1499 Sutter St., San Francisco, Calif., at 8:00 P.M. Installation of officers.

July 9-10—Tri-Cities Precancel Round-Up will be held at the Black Angus Motel, Kennewick, Washington. Chairman of the event is F. P. Meverden, Box 497, Kennewick, Wash.

July 10—The New England Precancel and Stamp Club meeting in Hartford, Conn. Further information is available from club secretary, Bob Briggs, Box 7, No. Orange, N. J.

July 13—Washington Philatelic Society, 2017 I St., N.W., Washington, D. C., meeting. Svend Yort will present program on Norway.

Miscellaneous Club Notes

The Society of Ghana Philatelists has chosen Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, Prime Minister of Ghana, its first honorary member, and has sent him a certificate to this effect. The aims of the Society are to foster and develop friendly relations between the U. S. and Ghana and to study and collect past and present philatelic material of that country.

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The newly organized Pelham Parkway Stamp and Coin Club meets every second and fourth Thursday night at the Judea Temple, 708 Lydia Ave., Bronx, N. Y. Further information on the club is available from its president, Lawrence Kessler, 762 Brady Ave., Bronx 62, N. Y.

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The West Essex Philatelic Society of Montclair, N. J., will hold auctions on the second Monday evenings, during the months of July and August. Although regular meetings are suspended during the

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Parade of Bureau Precancels

NEW YORK STATE

(Continued)

NEW Berlin used to have a lone 1c coil in the small Old Style. According to the late Dr. W. I. Mitchell in *STAMPS* (November 14, 1936) 200,000 of these coils were returned to Washington on September 14 of the same year for credit.

NEW BERLIN

N. Y.

The return of the 200,000 was not the result of any outside influence, but was caused by a lack of demand for them, as the main permit-holder, using about 5,000 a week, changed over to a Pitney-Bowes Postage Meter.

Riverhead is another one-time user. This was a 1½c Full Face Harding coil, G-C catalog No. H58. An article in the *Precancel Bee* of May 1934, states that these stamps were ordered for the County Clerk of Suffolk County for use on automobile drivers' license applications.

RIVERHEAD

N. Y.

The order was filled with 90,000 stamps rather than the usual quarter million as required on coils, which seems a bit unusual. The reason this coil is not a rarity is because a local collector hired youngsters to collect all used copies they could lay their hands on. There is no longer a supply on the market, however, and the stamp is well worth the present catalog price, which is even on the low side. Most collections have copy with a blurred overprint or the stamp is badly off-center.

FULTON again. While checking over early Bureau stories for our *Parade of Bureau Precancels*, we ran across a report of the late H. M. Southgate in *Mekeel's Weekly* of January 26, 1936. According to this report the Fulton, N. Y., Post Office returned to Washington for destruction 114,500 of the 1½c large Old Style coils, G-C catalog No. A24. The Post

Office, according to this report, used 163,000 coils in the regular course of business. This accounts for the rarity of this particular Bureau Precancel coil. Do not be misled by the amount used. If 1 per cent of the amount used gets into collectors' hands it is a lot. Re-read the original story we wrote a couple of weeks ago about the Fulton coil.

In the same report Mr. Southgate brings up the Manville, New Jersey, large Old Style coils, G-C catalog No. A23. This coil was written up in the New Jersey section of the Bureau Parade. According to this report 200,000 of these coils were returned to Washington for destruction, about the same time as the Fulton, N. Y. coils were returned. This, of course, is another reason why these Manville coils are so scarce.

John Boynton Kaiser Receives Honorary Degree at Rutgers University

WE are informed by *Herbert P. Woodward*, Dean of Rutgers University, Newark, New Jersey, that at its 194th Commencement on June 8, 1960, Rutgers (the State University of New Jersey) conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters on *John Boynton Kaiser*.

Mr. Kaiser was formerly Librarian of the Newark Public Library, and has had occasional articles in *STAMPS*. He is a member of *The Collectors Club* of New York, and has been active in philately in a variety of ways.

In the citation for this award, *President Mason Gross* said, among other things, "you have won recognition as a scholar in fields as far apart as the legal and administrative problems of libraries and philatelic research."

In advising us of the award Dean Woodward commented: "I suspect that this may well be the first instance in which philatelic research has been recognized as a scholarly pursuit deserving of formal academic recognition, and I also suspect it is the first time philately has entered into a formal citation for the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters."

Trade Notes

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letter forms, was also issued. British stamps and air-letter forms overprinted "Bahrain" and a value in local currency were withdrawn from sale at the close of business on June 30, 1960, but they will be valid for use in the international postal services from Bahrain until further notice.

—General Post Office, London

BELGIUM—Our thanks to *Editions Rodan*, Brussels, for first day covers of the Parachute set issued June 11, 1960, reported in our June 18th issue. The values were: 40c.+10c.; 1F.+50c.; 2F.+50c.; 2.50F.+1F.; 3F.+1F.; and 6F.+2F.

BRITISH HONDURAS—Our thanks to the *Crown Agents Representative*, Washington, D. C., for copies of the three-value set issued July 1, 1960, as forecast in our May 7th issue, to commemorate the centenary of the establishment of the Post Office in the territory. The values are 2c., 10c., and 15c. The stamps were printed in sheets of fifty, and will be on sale for six months unless stocks are exhausted earlier.

CAMBODIA—Our thanks to *Boske Stamps*, Manchester, Conn., for a first day cover of a three-value set issued May 14, 1960, honoring the Sacred Furrow Festival. The values and colors are 1R, violet; 2R, brown; and 3R, turquoise.

CHILE—Our thanks to *Jose Galetovic* for copies of the 1 centesimo value of the Sesquicentenary of Chilean Independence set, released June 8, 1960, depicting the Chilean Coat-of-Arms, forecast in our April 2nd issue.

CHINA (FORMOSA)—Our thanks to the *Directorate General of Posts* for copies of the two-value set issued on June 18, 1960, honoring President Eisenhower's visit to Formosa. The set consists of the NT\$2.00 and NT\$3.00 values of the Defense of Kinmen and Matsu 1959 set, overprinted in red "In Commemoration of U. S. President's State Visit to China," in Chinese, and "Welcome U. S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower 1960," in English. There was an edition of 250,000 of the NT\$2.00 stamp, and an edition of 200,000 for the NT\$3.00 denomination.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Our thanks to *Artia* for a first day cover and copies of the Third National Congress of the Czechoslovak Red Cross commemorative and the Second Congress of the Czechoslovak Union of Firemen stamp, both issued on May 26, 1960. The 30h. Red Cross stamp showing a young Red Cross worker holding dove, was designed by Iva Vrana-Snajdrova. The 60h. Firemen Union stamp, showing a three-member fire guard, was designed by Jiri Lukavsky. Both stamps were engraved by Bohdan Roule and printed by rotary recess print combined with photogravure, in sheets of fifty, by the Post Printing Office in Prague.

Our thanks to *Artia*, too, for a first day cover and copies of the two-value set issued May 24, 1960, marking the Parliamentary Elections to the National Assembly. The 30h. stamp depicts a smelter;

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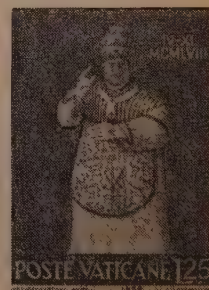


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the 60h. stamp shows a country woman with child. Jan Podhajsky was the designer; Jan Mracek was the engraver. The stamps were printed by the rotary recess print combined with photogravure, in sheets of fifty, by the Post Printing Office, in Prague.

DENMARK—On August 1, 1960, a 30 ore, red stamp will be issued to honor the centenary of the birth of Niels R. Rinsen. The stamp, designed by Viggo Bang and engraved by Bent Jacobsen, will be printed in sheets of fifty. Our thanks to the *Postal Philatelic Agency* for the information.

Our thanks to *Martin Bostrom* for a card with a special cancellation from Dragor, dated June 18, 1960, honoring World Refugee Year.

ECUADOR—Our thanks to the *Director General of Posts* for a copy of one of the four airmails to be issued in July 1960, honoring the various Cantons in the Province of Cotopaxi. The values and cantons honored are as follows: \$0.40, Canton Pangua; \$0.60, Canton Pujili; \$0.70, Canton Saquisilí; \$1.00, Canton Latacunga. There will be an edition of 500,000 of each value.

FINLAND—Our thanks to *S. Antila*, for first day covers of the 30 mk., green Hj. Nortamo commemorative, released June 13, 1960, and the 30 mk., orange Karelian National Festival commemorative, released June 18, 1960. The stamps were forecast in our June 9th issue.

FRANCE—The 0.50 N.F., bistre, green and red stamp, depicting the town of Bourboule, was issued on May 28, 1960, as forecast in our May 14th issue. The stamp was designed and engraved in taille-douce by Combet, and printed in sheets of fifty. Our thanks to the *Ministry of P.T.T.* for the information.

Our thanks to *Pierre A. Cubells*, Soisson, for a first day cover of the 0.20 N.F. stamp, issued June 18, 1960, commemorating the 20th anniversary of the birth of the Free French movement. The stamp was forecast in our June 4th issue.

GERMANY (EAST)—On June 8, 1960, the last part of the Anti-Fascist set was issued, showing portraits of men killed in Sachsenhausen. The values, colors and subjects are as follows: 10+5 Pf., green and grey, Max Lademann; 15+5 Pf., violet and grey, Lorenz Breunig; 20+10 Pf., red and grey, Mathias Thesen.

—Fritz Barz

HERM ISLAND—Our thanks to the *Tenant of Herm* for copies of the overprinted (World Refugee Set issued June 28, 1960, reported in our June 25th issue. The values are 1½d., 3d., 6d., 1/6 and 4 and 8 doubles of the current definitive series.

HUNGARY—Our thanks to *Charles Steppinger* and *Philatelia Hungarica* for a first day cover and copies of the three-value set issued May 25, 1960, honoring the 100th anniversary of the Italian Unification Movement. All three stamps had a value of 60 f., and were printed in both imperforated and perforated condition. The set was reported in our June 18th issue.

IRAN—Our thanks to *Abdullah Izadi*, *Edward Merkel* and *S. H. Nabawi*, for first day covers, copies, and information on the two-value Olympic Game set issued June 9, 1960. The set consisted of the following values, colors and designs: 1 Rial, dark brown, Iranian sportsman on horse in front of pillars of Persepolis and olympic rings; 6 Rials, dark and light blue, Iranian warrior with bow and arrow, lion and sun (emblem of the Iranian Government) olympic rings and statue of wolf belonging to Italy. *Edward Merkel* reports that although there was an edition of 80,000 sets, they were sold out within the first two hours of sale. Forthcoming issues are to be the Scout Jamboree set, the Wedding stamps and the King of Jordan Visit commemoratives.

JAPAN—On June 16, 1960, a 10 yen stamp was issued honoring the Abashiri Quasi-National Park. The stamp, depicting Garden of Primitive Flowers, was designed by Hideo Hasebe, and printed in four-color photogravure, in sheets of twenty.

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JAPAN—On July 15, 1960, a 10 yen stamp, honoring the Amano-Hashidate (Bridge of Heaven) will be issued. The stamp was designed by Yutaka Yoshida and engraved by Katsuzo Oshikiri. It will be printed on white, unwatermarked paper, in sheets of twenty, in an edition of eight million.

On August 1, 1960, a 10 yen stamp, depicting Cape Ashizuri in the Ashizuri Quasi-National Park, will be issued. The stamp, designed by Minoru Hisano, will be photogravured on white, unwater-

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LAOS — Boske Stamps, Manchester, Conn., reports that on July 1, 1960, a Tourist set was issued in the following denominations: 9.50K, 12K, 15K and 19K.

MALAYA—Because of the death on April 1, 1960, of the Yang di-Pertuan Agong, the issue of the Negri Sembilan Anniversary stamp, reported in our December 25, 1959 issue, will not be made.

—Crown Agents Stamp Bulletin, London

MALTA—A special issue of three values is in preparation to commemorate the centenary of the first Malta postage stamp. —Crown Agents Stamp Bulletin

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STAMPS ☆ July 2, 1960

MONGOLIA—Our thanks to *Philatelia Hungarica* for a first day cover of the eight-value Flower set issued on May 31, 1960, reported in our June 25th issue. The values are 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40 and 50 mungs, and I tugrik.

NETHERLANDS—Our thanks to J. J. M. Kiggen, of the *Netherlands Postal and Telecommunications Services* for copies of the Summer Charity set, issued May 23, 1960, reported in our April 16th issue. The values are 4+4c., 6+4c, 8+4c., 12+8c. and 30+10c.

NIGERIA—A special issue of four values has been ordered from Messrs. Waterlow & Sons Ltd., to commemorate independence. The stamps will be printed by photogravure, on Nigeria watermarked paper "FN," in the following values, designs and colors: 1d., Federal Legislature, red and black; 3d., Canoe Puller, blue and black; 6d., Federal Supreme Court, brown and green; 1/3, symbolic design of independence, blue, orange and green.

—Crown Agents Stamp Bulletin, London

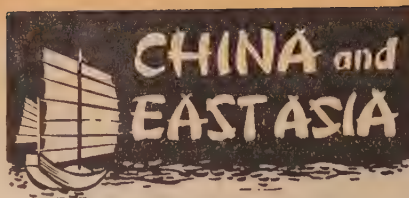
PHILIPPINES—Our thanks to *Fernando Francisco* for a first day cover with an overprinted 75th Anniversary U.P.U. souvenir sheet, honoring President Eisenhower's visit to the Philippines on June 14-16, 1960.

PORTUGUESE COLONIES—Our thanks to the Overseas Ministry for copies of the eight-value set issued in June 1960, honoring the fifth centenary of the death of the Infante D. Henrique. One stamp has been issued for each of the colonies and the set consists of the following values, designs and editions: Cape Verde—2\$00, portrait of the Infante, 250,000; Guinea—2\$50, astrolabe, 250,000; S. Tome and Principe—10\$00, windlass, 200,000; Angola—2\$50, map of Mina, 750,000; Mozambique—5\$00, boat, 750,000; State of India—3\$00, Coat-of-Arms of the Infante, 350,000; Macao—2 Pts., Zodiac, 250,000; Timor—4\$50, symbol of the Infante, 200,000. The beautiful, multi-colored stamps were printed by the State Printing House and designed by Jose de Moura.

SAN MARINO—Our thanks to the *Government Philatelic Office* for copies of the fourteen-value Olympic Game set issued May 23, 1960, reported in our June 25th issue. The values are as follows: regular postage: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 15, 25, 60 and 110 lire; airmails—20, 40, 80 and 125 lire.

Vittorio Lo Bianco Inc., New York, reports that on July 1, 1960, a set of stamps was issued honoring Lyons International and the founding of the Lyons Club of San Marino. The values are as follows: regular postage—30, 45, 60, 115, and 150 lire; airmail—200 lire. The stamps were printed in sheets of forty.

SWEDEN—Our thanks to *Martin Bostrom* for cards with special cancellations honoring the painter Zorn, dated June 15, 1960, and the Midnight Sun Flight, Stockholm-Kiruna-Stockholm, dated June 6, 1960.



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VENEZUELA—Our thanks to Dr. M. Dao h., Caracas, for first day covers of the six-value set issued June 11, 1960, honoring the 150th anniversary of the first Venezuelan newspaper, and for the set honoring the centenary of the death of Agustin Codazzi, geographer, issued June 15, 1960. The values of the Newspaper set, forecast in our December 12, 1959 issue, are as follows: regular postage—Bs. 0.10; Bs. 0.20; Bs. 0.35; airmails—Bs. 0.05, Bs. 0.15, Bs. 0.65. The air-mail values of the Codazzi commemorative set, forecast in our October 3, 1959 issue, are Bs. 0.05, Bs. 0.25, and Bs. 0.50.

Atlanta Club Votes to Meet Year-Round

THE Atlanta Stamp Collectors Club has voted to meet on a year-round basis instead of recessing for the summer. The club now has an air-conditioned meeting place and an increased membership, both of which factors influenced the decision. The July 13th meeting will feature audience participation.

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summer, the group meets informally the second and fourth Monday of each month at the Y.M.C.A., Montclair, N. J. Interested adults and school children accompanied by an elder are welcome.

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The Monument Stamp Club of Scottsbluff, Nebraska, was organized on March 1, 1960. Vernon L. Johnson is president. Information on the club is available from the Monument Stamp Club, Box 1108, Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

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A special cachet is available to mark the dedication of the new post office in West Sacramento, California, on July 23, 1960. Collectors can obtain the cachet, franked with a suitable commemorative for 10c per cover, from the Dedication Cachet Committee, P.O. Box 545, West Sacramento, Calif.

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Bart H. Bartlett was recently elected president of the Philatelic Club of Louisville. The club is dedicated to actively supporting philately and for a number of years has sponsored a junior organization. The club publishes a journal entitled "PCL Packet" and would welcome the opportunity of exchanging publications with other clubs. Its address is Philatelic Club of Louisville, P.O. Box 241, Louisville 1, Ky.

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George Schmid was recently elected president of the Nashville Stamp Club. The club holds its regular meetings every second and fourth Monday of the month at the Andrew Jackson Hotel, Nashville, Tenn.

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August K. Miller won the top award for the best-of-show exhibit at the Muskegon, Mich. Stamp Club's exhibit, held during the first three weeks of June 1960, in the Hackley Art Gallery, Muskegon, Mich. Other first prize winners were Francis W. Beedon, Ray VandeVusse, Mrs. E. Earl, Zander, and Mrs. Allen Berger.

A.P.S. Exhibition Prospectus Now Available

THE prospectus for the 74th annual convention-exhibition of the American Philatelic Society, to be held in Portland, Oregon, August 18-21, 1960, is now ready. Copies of it, which includes rules and regulations and a listing of the classifications as well as an official entry blank may be had from the exhibits chairman, Fred E. Carver, P.O. Box 3494, Portland 8, Oregon.

The exhibition will be held in the Sheraton-Portland Hotel, and entries are open to all stamp collectors. It is sponsored by the Oregon Stamp Society, Inc., A.P.S. Chapter No. 68. A. A. Barnett will be chairman of the Board of Judges.

The stamp exhibition will be open from 10 A.M. to 10 P.M. on the first three days, and from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. on

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Information on the bourse is available from Alice Ludwick, 61 Pressey St., Hammon, N. J. The prospectus may be obtained from Mary M. Gormley, 113-A North California Ave., Atlantic City, N. J.

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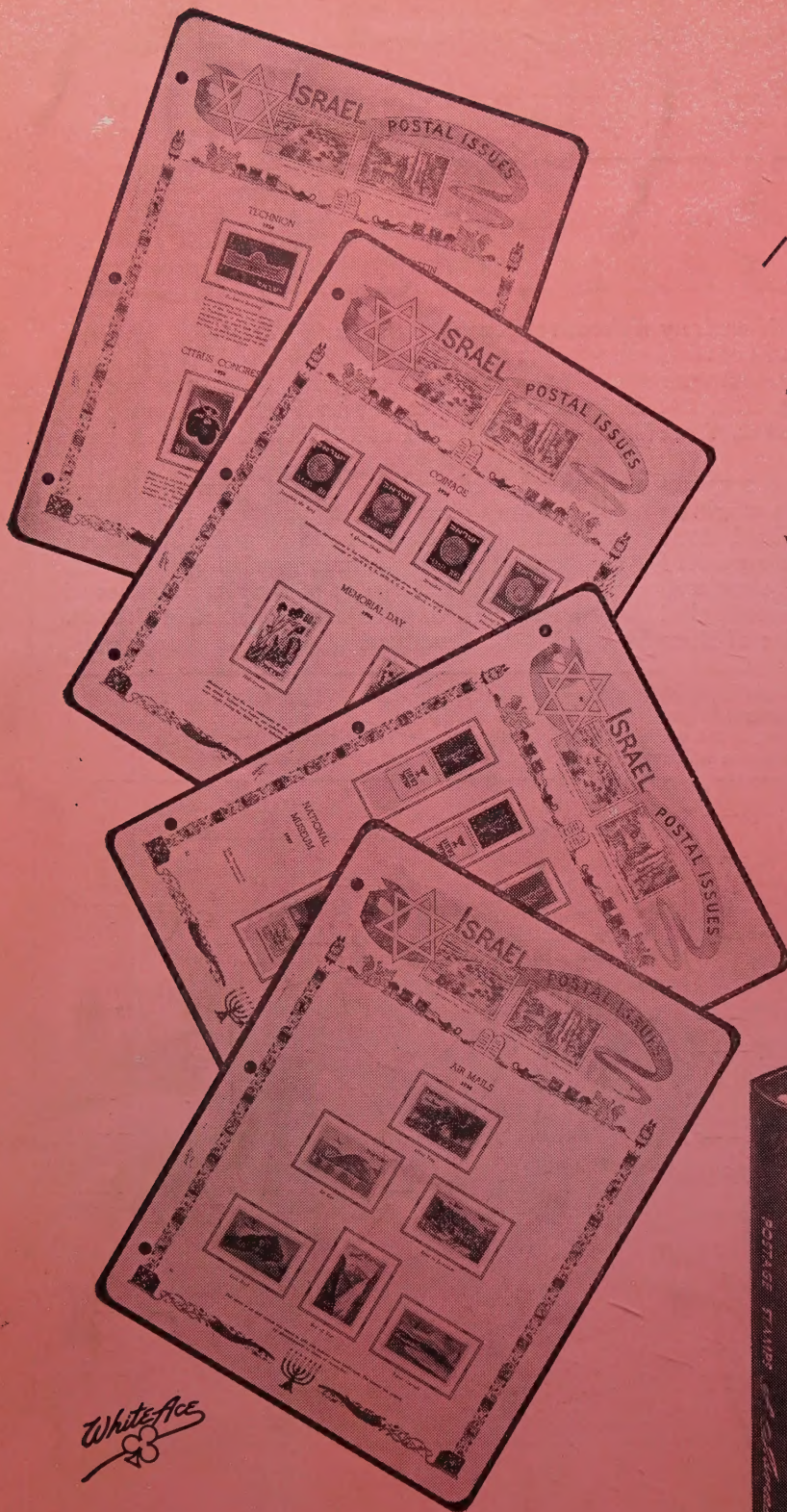
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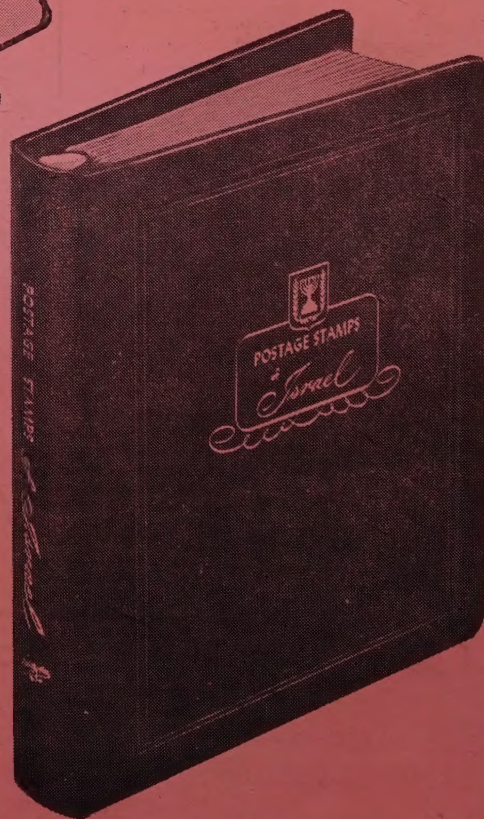
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